CHAPTER 8 FEES

[Prior to 5/30/01, see 653—Chapter 11]

653—8.1(147,148,272C) Definitions.

"Board" means the Iowa board of medical examiners.

653—8.2(147,148,272C) Application and licensure fees for acupuncturists.

- **8.2(1)** *Licensure provisions for acupuncturists.* For licensure provisions for acupuncturists, see 653—Chapter 17, "Licensure of Acupuncturists."
 - **8.2(2)** Fees for acupuncturists. The following fees apply to licensure for acupuncturists.
 - a. Initial application fee for licensure as an acupuncturist, \$300.
 - b. Reactivation of application for licensure, \$100.
 - c. Renewal fee for licensure as an acupuncturist, \$300.
- d. Upon written request and payment of the designated fee, the board shall provide the following information about the status of an acupuncturist's license or acupuncturist's past registration:
- (1) Certified statement that verifies the status of licensure or past registration in Iowa that requires the board seal or a letter of good standing, \$25.
- (2) Verification of the status of licensure or past registration in Iowa that does not require a certified statement or letter, \$20.
 - e. Fee for a duplicate wall certificate or renewal card, \$25.
- **653—8.3(147,148,272C) Examination fees for physicians.** The fee for taking the United States Medical Licensing Examination Step 3 administered by the board's designated testing service is the fee established by the Federation of State Medical Boards plus \$50. See 653—subrule 9.4(2) for information about the examination.

653—8.4(147,148,272C) Application and licensure fees to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, or osteopathy.

- **8.4(1)** Fees for permanent licensure. For provisions for permanent licensure, see 653—Chapter 9, "Permanent Physician Licensure." The following fees shall apply to permanent licensure.
 - a. Initial licensure, \$400.
 - b. Reactivation of application for licensure, \$150.
- c. Renewal of an active license to practice, \$325 if renewal is made via paper application or \$300 if renewal is made via on-line application, per biennial period or a prorated portion thereof if the current license was issued for a period of less than 24 months.
- d. Penalty for failure to renew before expiration, \$50 per calendar month after the expiration date of the license up to \$100. For example, if the license expired on January 1, a penalty of \$50 shall be charged for January and an additional \$50, or a total of \$100, shall be charged for renewal in February.
 - e. There is no fee for placing a license on inactive status or allowing a license to become inactive.
 - f. Reinstatement of a license to practice one year or more after becoming inactive, \$400.
- g. Reinstatement of a license within one year of becoming inactive, the renewal fee for the most recent license period plus a \$175 reinstatement penalty. The renewal fee is \$325 except when the license in the most recent license period had been granted for less than 24 months; in that case, the renewal fee is prorated according to the date of issuance and the physician's month and year of birth.

- **8.4(2)** Fees for resident physician licensure. For provisions for resident physician licensure, see 653—Chapter 10, "Resident, Special and Temporary Physician Licensure." The following fees apply to resident physician licensure.
 - a. Application for a resident physician license, \$75.
 - b. Renewal of a resident physician license, \$25.
 - c. Late fee for a resident physician license, \$25, to be paid in addition to the renewal fee.
- **8.4(3)** Fees for special physician licensure. For provisions for special physician licensure, see 653—Chapter 10, "Resident, Special and Temporary Physician Licensure." The following fees apply to special physician licensure.
 - a. Application for a special physician license, \$200.
 - b. Renewal of a special physician license, \$200.
- **8.4(4)** Fees for temporary physician licensure. For temporary physician licensure, see 653—Chapter 10, "Resident, Special and Temporary Physician Licensure." The following fees apply to temporary physician licensure.
 - a. Application for a temporary physician license, \$200.
 - b. Renewal of a temporary physician license, \$100.
- **8.4(5)** Fee for photocopy of a licensure application. Fee for a photocopy of a licensure application is \$20.
 - **8.4(6)** Fee for a duplicate wall certificate or renewal card, \$25.

653—8.5(147,148,272C) Fees for verification of physician licensure and certification of examination scores.

8.5(1) Verification fees.

- a. Upon written request and payment of the designated fees, the board shall provide the following information about the status of licensees or examinees:
- (1) Certified statement that verifies the status of licensure in Iowa that requires the board seal or a letter of good standing, \$40.
- (2) Verification of the status of licensure in Iowa that does not require a certified statement or letter, \$15 each.
- (3) Verification of licensure status from a password-protected Web site, \$3 per verification or an annual subscription fee of \$2,000 for an unlimited number of verifications in 12 months.
- b. The board shall provide an automated telephone verification service whereby callers can input the licensee's license number or social security number and receive verbally the licensee's current licensure status. There is no fee for this service.

The board shall provide a license number for an individual caller to use in the automated telephone verification service. Businesses that utilize verifications will be required to utilize the automated telephone verification service or the alternatives outlined in 8.5(1) "a."

- **8.5(2)** Fees for certification of physician examination scores. Upon request and payment of the designated fee, the board may provide certification of scores of an examination given by the board in Iowa as permitted under Iowa Code section 147.21 and 653—paragraph 2.13(2)"f." The scores available from the board are those from examinees who took the state-constructed examination.
 - a. Certified statement of grades attained by examination, \$45.
- b. Certified statement of grades attained by examination including examination history or additional documentation, \$55.

653—8.6(147,148,272C) Public records.

- **8.6(1)** Purchase of public records. Public records are available according to 653—Chapter 2, "Public Records and Fair Information Practices." Payment made to the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners shall be received in the board office prior to the release of the records.
- a. Copy of public records shall be calculated at \$.25 per page plus labor. A \$16 per hour fee shall be charged for labor in excess of one-quarter hour for searching and copying documents or retrieving and copying information stored electronically. No additional fee shall be charged for delivery of the records by mail or fax. Fax is an option if the requested records are fewer than 30 pages. The board office shall not required payment when the fees for the request would be less than \$5 total.
- b. Electronic copy of public records delivered by E-mail shall be calculated at \$.10 per page; the minimum charge shall be \$5. A \$16 per hour fee shall be charged for labor in excess of one-quarter hour for searching and copying documents or retrieving and copying information stored electronically. The board office shall not require payment when the fees for the requests would be less than \$5 total.
- c. Electronic files of press releases, statements of charges, final orders and consent agreements from each board meeting delivered via E-mail shall be available for an annual subscription fee of \$24 or a prorated portion thereof, based on the calendar year.
- d. Printed copies of press releases, statements of charges, final orders and consent agreements from each board meeting shall be available for an annual subscription fee of \$192 or a prorated portion thereof, based on the calendar year.
 - **8.6(2)** Reserved.
- **653—8.7(147,148,272C) Purchase of a mailing list or licensee data list.** Payment made to the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners shall be received in the board office prior to the release of a list.
- **8.7(1)** *Mailing list.* The standard mailing list for active physicians with permanent licensure or active acupuncturists includes the full name, address, city, state, and ZIP code. The standard mailing list of physicians does not include resident, special or temporary physician licensees; one or more of these groups may be added for an additional fee of \$25.
 - a. Printed mailing list, \$65.
 - b. Mailing list on diskette, \$45.
 - c. Mailing list in an electronic file, \$35.
- **8.7(2)** Data list for physicians. The standard data list for active physicians with permanent licensure includes full name, address, Iowa county (if applicable), two specialties (if available), issue date, expiration date, license number, license type, license status, and an indicator of whether the board has taken any public action on the license. The standard data list of physicians with permanent, active licensure does not include resident, special or temporary physician licensees. Additional data elements, programming or sorting increases the following fees by \$25.
 - a. Printed standard data list, \$75.
 - b. Standard data list on diskette, \$55.
 - c. Standard data list in an electronic file, \$45.
- **8.7(3)** Data list for acupuncturists. The standard data list for active acupuncturists includes full name, address, Iowa county (if applicable), issue date, expiration date, license number, license status, and an indicator of whether the board has taken any public action on the license. Additional data elements, programming or sorting increases the following fees by \$25.
 - a. Printed standard data list, \$75.
 - b. Standard data list on diskette, \$55.
 - c. Standard data list in an electronic file, \$45.

- **653—8.8(147,148,272C) Returned checks.** The board shall charge a fee of \$25 for a check returned for any reason. If a license had been issued by the board office based on a check that is later returned by the bank, the board shall request payment by certified check or money order. If the fees are not paid within two weeks of notification of the returned check by certified mail, the licensee shall be subject to disciplinary action for noncompliance with board rules.
- **653—8.9(147,148,272C)** Copies of the laws and rules. Copies of laws and rules pertaining to the practice of medicine or acupuncture are available from the board for the following fees.
 - 1. Iowa Code and Iowa Administrative Code access, no fee, available at www.docboard.org/ia.
- 2. Printed copies of the Iowa Code chapters that pertain to the practice of medicine or acupuncture, \$10.
 - 3. Printed copies of medical examiners board rules in the Iowa Administrative Code, \$10.
- **653—8.10(147,148,272C) Refunds.** Application and licensure fees shall be collected by the board and shall not be refunded except by board action in unusual instances, e.g., documented illness or death of the applicant. The board shall consider the cost of the work completed on the application and the cost of the work to grant a refund in determining the amount of refund to be granted.
- **653—8.11(17A,147,148,272C)** Waiver or variance prohibited. Licensure and examination fees in this chapter are not subject to waiver or variance pursuant to 653—Chapter 3 or any other provision of law.

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